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In re Application of:

BAMDAD, C., et al.

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For: *Electronic Detection of Nucleic
Acids Using Monolayers*

Examiner: BORIN, M.L.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2002, Applicants submit the following remarks. This response is timely filed within the statutory period, and thus no fee is believed due. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order No. A-65909-1/RFT/RMS/RMK).

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending. An Appendix of the Pending Claims is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

Claim Rejection - 35 USC §101

Claims 1-25 stand rejected under 35 USC §101 for nonstatutory subject matter, because all claims in the present application are directed to compositions comprising a target sequence or to methods utilizing a target sequence.